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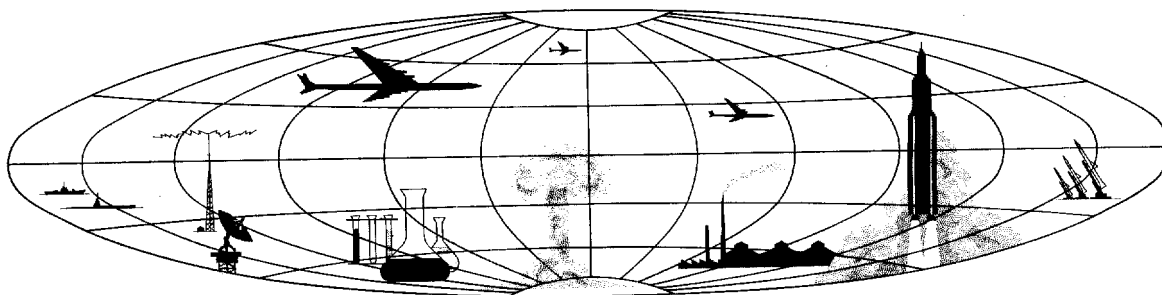
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Photography of Dolon Airfield has been re-examined in an effort to arrive at a more definite count of aircraft present on 16 November 1961 and the relative size of the aircraft. 1/

The scale and quality of the photography do not allow identification of the aircraft as to specific type. Excessive contrast due to the snow cover also hinders the identification of the aircraft and in some instances makes it extremely difficult to determine whether or not aircraft are parked at certain positions on the airfield.

The maximum possible number of aircraft present is considered by all photographic interpreters, with the exception of the Navy representative, to be 58. The Navy estimate of maximum possible aircraft is 65, a figure which includes all parking positions where there is evidence of activity since the snowfall and all aircraft and aircraft shadows that are visible on the photography.

There is a variation of between 43 and 46 that are felt to be aircraft with a high degree of reliability. Air Force and CIA feel this figure should be 46; Navy, 45; and the Army, 43. It is not possible to determine with any degree of reliability that the remainder are aircraft.

The 43 to 46 that are considered to be aircraft appear to be of medium- or heavy-bomber size. Where wings or tail assemblies can be seen they are of swept configuration. Of these 43 to 46, 12 appear to be of medium-bomber size to all interpreters except Army who feels the figure should be 10. This is not meant to imply that all of the remaining 33 or 34 aircraft are of heavy-bomber size. The terms medium and heavy bomber are used only to describe the size of the aircraft reported; it is possible that some are transport aircraft.

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